GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH ABSTRACT

Public Services – Revenue Department – Sri G. Seshagiri Rao, formerly Deputy Tahsildar, Kothagudem, Khammam District and now retired from service - Allegation of certain irregularities and illegal acquisition and transportation of Teak and Rose Wood without valid permit – Punishment of 10% cut in pension for a period of (10) years – Orders – Issued.

REVENUE (VIGILANCE-VI) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No. 770

Dt.25-7-2009 Read the following:-

- 1. G.O.Ms.No.520, Rev (Ser.III) Dept., dt.20-6-2007.
- 2. Order of the APAT, dt.15-10-98 in O.A.No.6528/97.
- 3. G.O.Rt.No.1229, Rev (Ser.III) Dept., dt.3-8-1999.
- 4. Govt.Memo.No.75375/Ser.III/97-18,dt. 20-12-2000.
- 5. Explanation of the individual, dt.27-4-2001.
- 6. Govt.Lr.No.4364/Vig.VI(2)/01-19, dt.18-3-09.
- 7. From the Secy., APPSC, Lr.No.467/RT-I/3/09, dt.26-5-2009.

ORDER:

In the G.O. $1^{\rm st}$ read above, orders were issued imposing the punishment of 20% cut in pension for a period of (10) years against Sri G. Seshagiri Rao, formerly Deputy Tahsildar, Kothagudem, Khammam District and now retired from service on the charges of certain irregularities and illegal acquisition and transportation of Teak and Rose Wood without valid permit.

- 2. Aggrieved by the above orders, the individual filed O.A.No.6528/97 before the Andhra Pradesh Administrative Tribunal and the Andhra Pradesh Administrative Tribunal in its order 2nd read above, held that both the enquiries were vitiated in law for the observations made in the order in the context of not following the procedure laid down under Rule-42 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Service (CCA) Rules, 1991 for service of notices and directed to proceed further with the enquiry. Consequently, the Revenue Divisional Officer, Khammam was appointed as Enquiry Officer afresh to conduct fresh enquiry, under Rule-9 of Andhra Pradesh Revised Pension Rules, 1991, in the reference 3rd read above.
- 3. Government after examining the enquiry report have observed that out of (8) charges framed against the Accused Officer, (4) charges were held proved and hence a provisional decision was taken to impose the punishment of 10% cut in pension permanently on the Accused Officer for the charges held proved during the enquiry.
- 4. Accordingly, a show-cause notice was issued to the Accused Officer in the reference 4th read above. Government have examined the explanation of the Accused Officer to the show-cause notice and found not convincing grounds to drop action against him.

- 5. However, Government after careful examination of the matter, in consultation with the Andhra Pradesh Public Service Commission, have decided to impose the punishment of 10% cut in pension for a period of (10) years on Sri G. Seshagiri Rao, formerly Deputy Tahsildar, Kothagudem, Khammam District and now retired from service instead of permanently.
- 6. The Special Chief Secretary & Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad shall take necessary further action in the matter.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNER OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

ASUTOSH MISHRA PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

The Special Chief Secretary & Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.

Copy to:

The individual through the Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, Hyderabad.

The District Collector, Khammam.

The Accountant General, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.

The District Treasury Officer, Khammam.

The Secretary, Andhra Pradesh Public Service Commission, Hyderabad.

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//FORWARDED BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER